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of the State fleet, and any other documentation that exhibits good faith efforts to acquire alternative fueled vehicles; or

- (3) Paragraph (a)(3) of this section, it must submit a statement identifying what portion of the alternative fueled vehicle acquisition requirement should be subject to the exemption and describing the specific nature of the financial hardship that precludes compliance.
- (f) Requests for exemption shall be addressed to the U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, EE-33, 1000 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20585, or to such other address as DOE may announce in a FEDERAL REGISTER notice.
- (g) The Assistant Secretary shall provide to the State, within 45 days of receipt of a request that complies with this section, a written determination as to whether the State's request has been granted or denied.
- (h) If the Assistant Secretary denies an exemption, in whole or in part, and the State wishes to exhaust administrative remedies, the State must appeal within 30 days of the date of the determination, pursuant to 10 CFR part 1003, subpart C, to the Office of Hearings and Appeals, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20585. The Assistant Secretary's determination shall be stayed during the pendency of an appeal under this paragraph.

§ 490.205 Reporting requirements.

- (a) Any State subject to the requirements of this subpart must file an annual report for each State fleet on or before the December 31 after the close of the model year, beginning with model year 1997. The State annual report may consist of a single State report or separately prepared State agency reports.
- (b) The report shall include the following information:
- (1) Number of new light duty motor vehicles acquired for the fleet by a State during the model year;
- (2) Number of new light duty alternative fueled vehicles that are required to be acquired during the model year;

- (3) Number of new light duty alternative fueled vehicle acquisitions by the State during the model year:
- (4) Number of alternative fueled vehicle credits applied against acquisition requirements;
- (5) For each new light duty alternative fueled vehicle acquisition—
 - (i) Vehicle make and model;
 - (ii) Model year;
 - (iii) Vehicle identification number;
- (iv) Dedicated or dual-fueled (including flexible fuel); and
- (v) Type of alternative fuel the vehicle is capable of operating on; and
- (6) Number of light duty alternative fueled vehicles acquired by municipal and private fleets during the model year under an approved Light Duty Alternative Fueled Vehicle Plan (if applicable).
- (c) If credits are applied against vehicle acquisition requirements, then a credit activity report, as described in subpart F of this part, must be submitted with the report under this section to DOE.
- (d) Records shall be maintained and retained for a period of three years.
- (e) All reports, marked "Annual Report," shall be sent to the Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, U.S. Department of Energy, EE-33, 1000 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC, 20585, or such other address as DOE may provide by notice in the FEDERAL REGISTER.

§ 490.206 Violations.

Violations of this subpart are subject to investigation and enforcement under subpart G of this part.

Subpart D—Alternative Fuel Provider Vehicle Acquisition Mandate

§490.300 Purpose and Scope.

This subpart implements section 501 of the Act, which requires, subject to some exemptions, that certain annual percentages of new light duty motor vehicles acquired by alternative fuel providers must be alternative fueled vehicles.